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Title:

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1002 340 2002 170 Design filing fee	1401	330	2401	165	Notice of Appeal	
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1004 770 2004 385 Reissue filing fee	1403	290	2403	145	Request for oral hearing	
1005 160 2005 80 Provisional filing fee	1451	1,510	1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
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2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE	1501	1,330	2501	665	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
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